

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 137

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Pete Williston for his meritorious service to the Boy Scouts of America.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Pete Williston is one such estimable person who has served with distinction as a Boy Scout leader and volunteer; Mr. Williston has served in leadership positions in scouting for many years beginning with his service as a Tiger Scout den leader; and

WHEREAS, he is currently the Walton Trail District Chairman in the Middle Tennessee Council; he was selected to the Order of the Arrow in 1996 and completed the Wood Badge Class of SR-184 in 1999; and

WHEREAS, in addition to serving as a troop leader, Mr. Williston has served as: District Camporee Event Chairman, Chairman of the Macon County Friends of Scouting, Den Leader, Assistant Scout Master, Scout Master, Committee Chair, Chairman for the Pinewood Derby, Adult Advisor at the Philmont Scout Ranch, and on the District Eagle Board; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as the District Chairman for Walton Trail, he led the district to remarkable improvement and earned Gold Status for 2012; and

WHEREAS, his civic duties extend beyond serving with Boys Scouts of America; Mr. Williston is an active and important part of his community and his profession; he works with the Rotary Club of Lafayette, St. Michael's Church, Macon County Education Foundation, Macon County Revitalization Corp, and the Macon County Post-Secondary Education/College Recruitment Committee; professionally, he works as the CEO of Citizens Bank in Lafayette; and

WHEREAS, Pete Williston exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williston is most grateful for the love and support of his wife, Martha, his daughter and his two sons, who are both Eagle Scouts; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable tenure with the Boy Scouts of America, Pete Williston has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, epitomizing the very ideals of this esteemed organization; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend Mr. Pete Williston for his years of service to the Boy Scouts of America and the Walton Trail district and extend to him our best wishes for every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.